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For: **METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE USING
CHEMICAL ETCHING**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the office action dated April 19, 2002, Applicant elects the species of Embodiment 1 (*i.e.*, Figures 1-6). Claims 1-5 and 9-19 read on the elected species. In addition, claims 1-3 and 9-19 are considered to be generic to Embodiments 1, 2 and 3 and claims 4 and 5 are considered to be generic to Embodiments 1 and 3.

This response is timely filed and no extension of time or fee are believed to be required. Nonetheless, should the USPTO determine that an extension of time is required, please

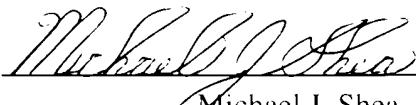
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treat this paper as containing a request for the same. In addition, should the USPTO determine that a fee is required, authorization is given to charge such fee to our Deposit Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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